1/27/90

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Dear Harry,

With your 1/25/90 yesterday was your 9/18/89. I don't know if the latter is a carbon copy or something you then forgot to mail but I have addressed it in the past. (I'll be getting delivery of another xerox reprint of the first book possibly later today and having it available other than from us, with all the people used to getting it from us and our listing and ads with Bowker would be a mess and serious problems. But thanks.)

I did not know that with modernization of the web press the plates had to be discarded with each use.

You have the wrong idea about my frequent mention to you about getting paid. It has but a single purpose - to encourage you to make all the effort you can to keep from being gypped. As we were, quite extensively, and by distributors of whom one would never suspect anything like that.

By their reputations, I mean. If we had what was owed us in 1966 and invested it conservatively we'd be well off today.

I neither think nor auggested that money was your primary goal but you can't operate without it and to be able to continue you must collect what is due you.

And the cash you can collect can't begin to repay the actual costs, which over the years were considerable. All you can measure is mechanical costs of publication and distribution and they and far from all the real ones.

I don't know where you got the notion I was being critical. Not at all.

I seem to be making good progress, thanks. Still can't lift anything but I can walk a little better and a little more. I've been back to "my" mall for two weeks of walking and resting and everyone says what you said about my looking better.

And I'm almost never away, never unless for a medical trip to Baltimore, and I now have none scheduled..

I hope your good luck continues!

Harold